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1. [redacted]
[redacted] according to an order of the Soviet transportation head-
quarters, dated 4 July, transit operations through Poland by German locomotive
brigades were to be stopped and that all shipments were to be rerouted to Shanghai.

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are to be inspected for their transit-worthiness. Daily reports will have to be submitted by all railroad stations to the freightcar distribution point, Berlin, by midnight.²

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1. Comment. This information requires confirmation. If correct, the means may have been taken in order to prevent German railroad personnel from obtaining information on possible uprisings in Poland (on 4 July, West German broadcasting stations reported that German railroadmen had supplied information on riots in Poland); or because the F/O -Warsaw-Brest Litovsk railroad line, which is the main supply route of the Soviets capable of handling 18 trains per day in each direction, was blasted and transit traffic had to be rerouted to other lines; or because all transit lines through Poland were interrupted as a result of uprisings, requiring the entire traffic to be rerouted by sea.

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Comment. This decree which was doubtless issued by order of the SCC, was due to military considerations. The measure will facilitate the utilization of Maicars at short notice.

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